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## Select Poetry.

### THE LAST MILE STONE.

Sixty years, through shine and shadow—  
Sixty years, my gentle wife,  
You and I have walked together  
Down the rugged road of life.  
From the hills of spring we started,  
And through all the summer land,  
And the fruitful autumn country,  
We have journeyed hand in hand.

We have born the heat and burden,  
Toiling painfully and slow;  
We have gathered in our harvest,  
With rejoicing, long ago.  
Leave the uplands for our children—  
They are strong to sow and reap;  
Through the quiet winter lowlands  
Now our level way we keep.

'Tis a dreary country, darling,  
You and I are passing through;  
But the road lies straight before us,  
And the miles are short and few;  
No more hills to climb, true friend;  
Nothing now but simply walking,  
Till we reach our journey's end.

We have had our time of gladness;  
Twas a proud and happy day—  
Ah! the proudest of our journey—  
When we felt that we could say—  
Of the children God has given,  
Looking fondly on the ten;  
"Lovely women are our daughters—  
And our sons are noble men!"

We have had our time of sorrow—  
Our time of anxious fears—  
When we could not see the mile-stones  
Through the blindness of our tears.  
In the sunny summer country,  
Far behind us little May  
And Willie, too, grew weary,  
And we left them on the way.

Are you looking backward, mother,  
That you stumble in the snow?  
I am still your guide and staff, dear,  
Lean your weight upon me, so;  
Our road is growing narrow:  
And, what is it, wife, you say?  
Yes! I know our eyes are dim, dear,  
But we have not lost our way.

Cheer thee! cheer thee! faithful-hearted!  
Just a little way before  
Lies the great Eternal City,  
The King that we adore.  
I can see the shining spires,  
And the King, the King, my dear,  
We have served him long and humbly,  
He will bless us, do not fear.

Ah! the snow falls fast and heavy,  
How you shiver with the cold!  
Let me wrap your mantle closer,  
For my arm around you fold.  
We are weak, and faint, and weary,  
And the sun's low in the West.  
We have reached the gates, my darling,  
Let us hurry here and rest.

## Popular Miscellany.

### THE DECAY OF EMPIRES.

It is several years since the world has seen so extraordinary a collapse of power as that of France during the present war. Indeed, it may be doubted whether anything exactly like it has ever been known. The disasters of 1793 were not, on the whole, equal to those of 1870, and although in the reigns of Edward the Third and Henry the Fifth the whole framework of French society fell into ruins beneath the assault of English legions, the France of those days was not the mighty empire which we have just seen shattered before our eyes. Still, there have been many remarkable instances of the decay of nations once great, and of the shifting of dominion from capital to capital.

The majestic shades of old Assyria, Babylonia and Persia move like phantoms across the dim spaces of ancient history. That they flourished for a while, and then lapsed into obscurity, we know from many records; but the causes of their fall remain undisclosed. They had probably no principle of cohesion beyond the temporary success of some military family, and when that came to an end, in the cases of Sardanapalus in Assyria and Belshazzar in Babylonia, the whole empire dissolved in chaos. Those two mighty agglomerations of varied nationalities split up into fragments when their respective capitals were destroyed, and their military strength overmatched. The ruins of their palaces and temples have been unearthed in our own days, but we still know little, and shall probably never know much, of the general social condition which existed beneath the magnificence of royalty and the splendor of sacerdotal and priestly castes.

Doubtless there was a background of poverty and discontent behind the glittering pageantry, for Darius always has his Lazarus at the gate; but wretchedness possesses few means of perpetuating the memory of its sufferings, and the relics of the past show little but the pride and pomp of Eastern courts, and nothing of the accompanying misery which may have contributed to their fall.

The decay of the Roman Empire is within the broad light of history. It proceeded not so much from bad laws (for the laws were better than those of any other ancient State), or from tyranny (for, when once a nation had submitted to the imperial eagle, the Roman rule was fair and impartial), as from the sheer impossibility of permanently holding together such a vast accumulation of distinct countries, and so many widely different races. Rome trained and nourished a number of nationalities, some of which, in time, surpassed her in strength—at least, on their own ground. As the future nations of Northern and Western Europe grew from youth to maturity, Rome herself was passing from maturity and decrepitude. The governing classes became effete with long prosperity, with the traditions of dominion and the routine of power. Indulgence in sensual pleasures sapped the forces of the State, and a soldiery devoid of the principles

of citizenship became the masters of those whom they affected to serve. Yet for how long a period did the Roman Empire last! and what a grand, and in many respects beneficent fact it is in the history of the world! That City of Seven Hills spread the civilization of Greece over half the globe. We are her debtors, and build upon the solid concrete which she spread so many centuries back. When she failed, it was not by any sudden collapse, but by the slow decay of age, accelerated, it may be, by those vices which were inherited from her days of haughty strength and youth. The decline of Rome was like the twilight of a midsummer day—long, luminous, regretful, passing into darkness by soft degrees and infinite modifications of decay, and not seldom kindling into fresh flushes of vanishing glory before the coming of the night. And that the Dark Ages were not utterly dark, was owing in the main to the light reflected in many places from the sunken empire.

Including the Greek monarchy of Constantinople (which was immediately derived from that of the Eternal City), the Roman Empire lasted till the year 1453 of the Christian era, when the Turkish Sultan, Mahomet the Second, besieged and took the Eastern capital. There can be no doubt that the Greeks of the Lower Empire were a depraved and frivolous race, whose weakness and effeminacy invited attack. They had all the faults of their ancestors of the Pagan ages, without those redeeming virtues which made the earlier Greeks heroic. Yet the splendid legacy of literary and artistic culture which they inherited from ancient times, enabled them to give a new life to the intellect of Europe. The dispersion of the Greeks over the countries of the North and West led to the Renaissance—that great awakening of the modern nations from the sleep of Italy, which had never entirely lost its civilization, was first to feel the glow of returning warmth; and Germany, France, Spain, and England soon followed. The destruction of the Roman and Greek Empires—if we are to regard them as separate rules—was owing partly to their vices, and partly to the inevitable conditions under which their power was obtained; but they fell with dignity, and have left behind them many enduring marks.

If we turn our attention to the empire of the Saracens, we shall find very similar results occurring from very similar causes. The followers of Mahomet, like the people of Rome, aimed at establishing a universal dominion. The principal of cohesion in the one case was to be religion, as in the other it had been law. A vast community of religionists, with Mahomet for its Prophet, and the Arabian Caliph for its high priest, was to conquer the kingdoms of the earth, and to annex the waste places and the islands of the sea. At one time it almost seemed as if the Moslems would accomplish this stupendous programme. From the Deserts of Arabia they swept over Palestine, Syria, Armenia, Asia Minor, Persia, India, Egypt, Morocco, Barbary, Spain and Portugal. They subjugated Italy as far as Rome, Sicily, Candia, Cyprus, and other Mediterranean islands submitted to the yoke. The south of France was threatened, and had not the advancing tide been broken in Aquitaine by the valor of Charles Martel, the whole of Europe might have been forcibly converted to the religion of Mecca and Medina—a fate which would, of course, have implied the same result in the case of America. In eighty years from the death of Mahomet, an empire of prodigious magnitude had been built up, and in a few more generations it was greatly increased. But the idea of universal dominion though capable by its grandeur of carrying a military race on the wave of conquest, for a considerable time, has always been found incapable of realization. When the enthusiasm of the first conquests had died away—when the momentum of conquering zeal had slackened, and the victors began to think of sitting down under their vines and fig-trees, and of enjoying what they won—the reaction begins to set in. Vast armies are certain to become demoralized when they cease to be employed. Idleness and profligacy overspread the empire, and oppressed nationalities seize upon the first opportunity for recovering their separate existence. The Arabian bond of union proved no more lasting than the Roman. The Saracenic dominions broke up into a number of distinct Kingdoms, and in certain directions the wave of Mohammedanism ebbed from the regions it had at one time covered. In later centuries the Turks renewed to some extent the victorious march of the Arabians. Europe was once more menaced, and a standing in the southeast of Europe which it has not yet lost.

Spain was at one time the greatest Power in Europe. Her conquests in America and in other parts of the world are among the most brilliant on record, unless we may say that there can be no true brilliancy where such perfidy and cruelty exist. But Spain is not now even a second-rate power, and her colonial possessions are of the smallest. She has perished though the rapacity, indolence, tyranny, and religious intolerance of the governing classes.

But one of the most extraordinary instances of the extinction of a great nation is that of Poland. In the Middle Ages, and even for some time beyond, Poland had stood almost at the head of the European system. Her martial kings and people subjugated the Russians, defied the Germans, and flung back the assaults of the Turk. With the splendid achieve-

ments and noble patriotism of John Sobieski, however, the prosperity of Poland came to an end. That admirable soldier and statesman died in 1696, and the country rapidly declined during the eighteenth century. The first partition took place in 1771, the second in 1793, and the third in 1795. Up to the 1840, the city of Cracow, with a small amount of surrounding territory, was suffered to exist as a so-called independent republic; but the Poland of old times was dead long before. The causes of its lamentable ruin lie on the surface. The government of the country was purely aristocratic; the king was the puppet of the nobles; the people were utterly neglected, miserably oppressed and reduced to the condition, without possessing the comforts of slaves. Sobieski endeavored to remedy these grievances, forcing, with the melancholy intuition of genius, that without reform his country would assuredly decay; but the besotted aristocracy refused to hear him. After the first partition, an attempt was made to emancipate the serfs; but the Diet threatened. The peasantry, in their poverty and wretchedness—a condition rarely equalled—careless little about defending the land from the foreigner; the nobles, debauched by their extravagant privileges, quarreled among themselves for precedence, while the enemy was advancing into the heart of the State, and the rottenness of the social system was incapable of withstanding the attacks of Russia, Prussia, and Austria. The fate of Poland is a lesson to the world. The great causes of the decay of empires are to be found in the dishonesty of governments, and the depressing or degeneracy of the governed. Profligacy also has its evil influences, but more profligacy never yet ruined a State, as long as it was combined with forces of will and energy of character. The greatest sign of the approaching ruin of any people, is a certain frivolity which plays and dallies with vice in all the languid wickedness of senility. When nations, or even the inhabitants of a ruling city, have arrived at that pass, the day of their trial is at hand, and sometimes from the trial they arise regenerate.

## SINCERITY.

Give me sincere friends, or none. This hollow glitter of smiles and words—compliments that mean nothing—protestations of affection as solid as the froth upon champagne—inventions that are but pretty sentences, uttered because such things are customary—are worthless. There is no need of them. It is proper to be civil and courteous to the most indifferent stranger; but why assume friendship's outward show when no really underlies it? When one feels friendship, the object of that sentiment cannot suffer, and leave our hearts untroubled—cannot be slandered, leaving us unharmed. To see our friend successful, even beyond our own powers of success, is a great joy to us; to hear our friend applauded is a pleasure. Yet, every day, men who fancy themselves friends, show mean envy of each other's lucky hits; and women, who kiss on both cheeks when they meet, will whisper treacherous little stories on each other's ears, and whisper them to men. So that, when most women say to me, "We were talking of you just now," I wonder only—for one is not sincere enough to say it out—whether it has been possible to squeeze one drop of sepia into the hum-drum story of my life; or, failing that, how many times they been multiplying my age by ten, to prove me older than I confess myself to be. But it is not sincere to praise everybody. It sounds amiable; but men cannot all be "charming," and women all "so sweet." I like to know from the speech of a man or woman that this one is a friend; that, a mere acquaintance. I think warm-hearted people are never general admirers. All cannot be loved sincerely; all cannot really even be pleasant. Constant laudation of every body may be a pleasant form of insincerity, but it is insincerity, after all, for me. If heaven will help me, I will be sincere. I will not abuse my intimate friends when their backs are turned; I will not praise any one I do not like; I will not kiss women I hate, nor give men loving looks and loving smiles when I do not like them. And as I do unto others, may they do unto me, for I deserve no better.

## WOMEN SHOULD READ NEWSPAPERS.

It is a great mistake in female education to keep a young lady's time and attention devoted only to the fashionable literature of the day. If you would qualify her for conversation, you must give her something to talk about, give her education in the actual world, and its transpiring events. Urge her to read the newspapers, and become familiar with the present character and improvements of our age. History is of some importance; but the past world is dead; we have nothing to do with it. Our thoughts and our concerns should be for the present world; to know what it is and improve its condition. Let her have an intelligent opinion, and be able to sustain conversation according to the mental, moral and religious improvement of our times.

Recent experiments upon the human viscera, conducted by Dr. Oyon, show that the liver is not only the producer of the bile, but that it manufactures fat. It has long been known that good livers are more or less manufacturers of fat, and it was upon this fact that the principles of the Banting practice were based.

A. H. Stephens is said to weigh but seventy-four pounds; yet, he was always considered in the South as a man of weight.

## THE BACHELORS' SURPRISE.

Written for the Middletown Transcript  
BY SYMON.

Accustomed to society, mingling with all kinds of people from my boyhood until the age of thirty, life became irksome and rather monotonous when circumstances forced me to move from the town where life had passed so pleasantly, and settle in the country.

From early youth many leisure hours were spent in the society of ladies, but latterly, isolated by the pressure of events, I was comparatively weaned, and ever extremely diffident, now avoided the sex, remembering days past as a dream, treasuring in memory's most sacred niche the times of more exuberant youth. Living in a country, excluded measurably from social interchange of sentiment, where society was virtually nonexistent, my mind never brilliant, grew more dull, and lost that vigor acquired by the daily cut and thrust, which sharpens the ideas of those who elbow their way with the multitude.

I cannot say that any very pleasurable emotions rose uppermost, when I received a letter informing me of the fact that a party of gay girls would visit us at an early day. My maiden sister thought it strange, though all were related in some manner, that a trio could be found possessed of such timidity, and her cheeks became more ashen in hue, and step even nervous as the time approached.

Unfortunately a few days before their arrival, I met with an accident which prevented my meeting them, compelling me to depute a sable messenger to await the trains arrival.

Maudeline, had retired, extra exertions preparatory to their reception together with the excitement engendered by thoughts of their arrival, the break of her daily routine, had completely exhausted her, and feeling really ill, she left me, to await them, and tender her apologies.

The night was very dark, with high wind and drizzling rain prevailing, while the hour had long passed by when my fair guests were due. Generally wide-awake, my lone vigil conjured the drowsy god as I sat so comfortably by a glowing grate in the old arm chair.

How long I slumbered I know not, for the position in which I found myself on awakening astounded me.

A tall graceful girl knelt by my side with one white arm thrown carelessly round my neck, and I felt her fragrant breathe fan my face, while I started bewilderingly into the depths of her magnificent eyes humid with sympathy.

Just before me were her companions, one of noble presence and benign countenance; the other, gentle, mild, her cheek charmingly aglow with life's carnation, sympathetically echoing the words her sister spoke.

"Oh! I'm so sorry cousin Ben, to find you thus," and her accents floated as musically as the chime of silver bells, and her lips touched my brow as light as the spring zephyr, bubbling my blood, coursing eye through vein and artery, closing eye and locking mouth, with ecstatic thrill.

The sound of sweet voices in concert, voices retaining the cadence trill, the melodious pitch of youth, uttering words of real feeling, was mystical to one who heretofore habituated to sameness of face and tone, remembered faintly a time when custom palled by familiarity, that which now beguiled by its novelty.

The morning broke crisp and clear, ushering as attendant beauties the glad happy faces of those who honored us by their presence.

The old house woke to the joyous laughter of youth. Young life infused its rejuvenating power, quickening the pulse of more mature age, and woman's intuition anticipated care, beguiling the moments, banishing apathy.

They beamed as stars, brilliant each with a peculiar glory all its own. Satellites of original lustre, distinct, a study unfathomable, yet not the less interesting because of their diversity.

Fresh as the mythical deities from the fount of youth; no wonder "cousin Ben" was translated to an imaginary time by the infectious hilarity of their presence.

They formed groups, adding every available person, chance visitor, or neighbor, winning the reluctant by charm of manner, and measuring the acuteness of their woman's wit, with the obtuseness of their masculine partners in innocent and harmless play.

Old Sam, and afflicted and illiterate neighbor, who would occasionally drop in to see me came at the right time. It was fun for him, but greater fun for them, they banished his bashfulness by their fairy arts, and made him enjoy himself in spite of his reticence.

Maudeline threw back the counts of time and stood up for the palm of grace and loveliness, a brave competitor once again. The winking charm of earlier days was caught as it receded, and youths beaming smile played hide and seek on his lip and eye, gathering a focus of no mean power, laughing to scorn the lines of care.

The trio! How shall I describe them? for they stand before me now as vivid and winsome as yesterday. But mellow lights, gossamer scenes, gorgeous with molten gold and crimson, music of bird and brook hum, and flooding fragrance, frame them in so softly, and again, stately grace, innocent tenderness, sunny happiness of spirit, were so syren like, that the heart becomes drunken, and the vision dazed by the scene.

One from whose fair and placid brow

the triumph of intelligence beamed, whose intellect dawned upon you without effort display, without apparent knowledge that endowment of mind was a god-like gift, added a charm indescribable to her person and presence. A woman, young and comely, whose somewhat checked earlier life cast no shade perceptible, for the "languid sorrows" were hooded too deep in a warm true heart for vulgar gaze, ignoring her own woes in the efforts made for others' happiness.

And the twin were sisters; the younger a fair prototype in person of the mother who gave her life. Mild in manner, thinking in her quiet way of others, devoted, innocent child with the false idea doubters, that life must be more joyous to those of more demonstrative nature, little dreaming that heart love was fully tendered her, in full devoted moments of others.

Fair Lilly, how clearly were the sweet girl fancies written on her dower-like face whose young cheek so oft wore the rose blush—awake to the dulcet music which floats around thee, and may thy life-barque be ever guided by love's true, and arms as loving and strong as thou.

Lenor! I see thee now as when first thy radiant dark eyes flooded my vision with their resplendent light, and thy jewelled arm rested on my shoulder, and thy breath sweet as the incense of southern daisies fanned my brow with an intensity of sympathy, loved elder sister of thy happy home.

The graceful head crowned by a diadem of tresses, proud form, sylph like movements, splendid poise of figure, is photographed on the old man's memory. She was not beautiful perhaps to the casual observer, for the mind shone through the generous acts of her high soul, and one marvelled at the indefinable charm so winning, yet ceased to wonder when they saw the embellishments of the toilet carried so grandly, and knew her heart felt kindness.

She was eminently gratified to compete with women more fair, a dangerous rival but generous foe. Possessed of no mean talents, destined to shine, a living, fragrant flower radiating the dew of her inner thoughts, winning by the creation of her fascinating fancies.

The waves of time have rolled their billows, cresting the foam on life's breakers, surging dark days and bright moments athwart memory's sea, but the glory of my fair visitants, looms up as emerald isle, cool with balmy breezes, a coral reef, rainbow hued, spanning the arch of the old man's mind.

I see the soft wane of moonlight, the splendor of the day-god bursting forth to midday light, airy clouds gleaming as ethereal jewels, xintillating rays eclipsing minor glories, but the forms of beautiful girls warm with tints of life and loveliness, rich in health, unaltered by worldly contact step before me, and I awake from other and all beauties of dream-land to the bewildering charm of melodious voices.

Days since then have fled, time has furrowed cheek and stamped his seal on form, whitening hair, bowing spirit, but his inflexible power has failed to mar the image picture graven by those happy spirits, who for a little while lightened the monotony of the bachelors home.

## HUSBAND'S COMMANDMENTS.

Thou shalt love no other man but me. Thou shalt not have a daguerrotype or any other likeness of any man but thy husband.

Thou shalt not keep it in secret and worship it, for I, thy husband, am a jealous husband.

Thou shalt not speak thy husband's name with levity.

Remember thy husband's commandments to keep them sacred.







Resolutions were introduced in the Massachusetts Senate and ordered to be printed, Thursday, to the effect that every invasion by one department of the government of the prerogative of another tends to defeat the fundamental ends of all constitutional government, which should be a government of laws, and not of men; that the people of Massachusetts have seen with alarm the recent attempt, unhappily successful, of the President of the United States, not officially proclaimed, but notorious and avowed by its supporters, to dictate the organization and appointment of the committee of foreign relations of the Senate of the United States, and that the acquiescence of the Senate in the dictation by the Executive of the appointment of the committee of foreign relations implies subservience which disqualifies that branch for the independent performance of its constitutional duties, to supervise the nominations and treaties laid before the Senate by the President, and threatens the removal of a great bulwark against executive usurpation.

**FINANCIAL PROSPECT OF FRANCE.**—The official statement of the public debt of France at the beginning of 1870 showed a total of \$2,000,000,000. Three loans were contracted during 1870 which, when capitalized, will amount to \$400,000,000; French war expenditure, yet to be covered by loan, \$200,000,000. Germany now demands \$1,000,000,000, which, if it can be borrowed at all, will probably be on such terms as will make the indemnity reach \$1,500,000,000. The New York Times estimates that supposing, at the end of three or more, probably six years, France should be able to pay this enormous bill, she will find herself in the possession of a national debt which reaches the alarming total of \$4,700,000,000. It is not easy to see how, under any form of government, no matter what its prospect of stability, such a sum as that is to be carried. In addition to all this territory is to be added to Germany which yielded the treasury of France about twelve millions of dollars per annum.

**MARRIED.**  
On the evening of the 10th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, near Smyrna, by Rev. A. Rittenhouse, Mr. Wm. T. Beck, of Smyrna, to Miss Nellie R. Crow.  
On the 9th inst., at the residence, by Rev. G. Greiner, John Gettman to Miss Carrie Scagg, both of Baltimore county.

**DIED.**  
In Odessa, on Tuesday, the 14th inst., Richard N. Long.

**THE MARKETS.**  
MIDDLETOWN MARKET.  
COLLECTED WEEKLY BY A. T. BRADLEY.

Wheat	.....	\$1.40
Corn, yellow	.....	75
"    white	.....	75
Oats	.....	75
Timothy Seed	.....	7.25
Clover	.....	8.25
Eggs	.....	22 cts. per doz
Butter	.....	30c to 35c
Lard	.....	15c to 16c
Hogs dressed	.....	8c to 9c
Chickens	.....	14c to 15c
Ducks	.....	18c to 20c
Turkeys	.....	12c to 14c
Geese	.....	12c to 14c
Potatoes	.....	1.00c to 1.25c bushel

WILMINGTON.

Wheat, prime	.....	\$1.50
Corn, yellow	.....	75c to 80c
Oats	.....	75c
Flour	.....	7.00c to 11.00c

PHILADELPHIA.

Prime red wheat	.....	\$1.60c to 1.64c
Corn, yellow	.....	75c to 80c
Oats (Pennsylvania)	.....	75c
Cloverseed	.....	\$8.00
Timothy	.....	9.00

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**  
The Ladies of Middletown and vicinity are invited to call at J. A. Reynolds & Sons' New Store on the corner, and examine their large and beautiful assortment of New Style Goods, adapted to Spring and Summer wear, consisting of Mohair, Poplins, Chenes, Serges, Real Japanese Silk (in Stripes and Plaids), Alpaca, Pique, Percales, Lawns and a large Stock of Prints, in all the latest makes, at 6, 8, 10 and 12 1/2 cents per yard.

J. A. Reynolds & Sons have received direct from the Manufacturers their new Style Ladies and Misses Lingerie, Garters and Kid Slippers, Childrens and Infants' Buttoned and Lace Hats, in a variety of styles and Colors, which they are selling very low, on the most reasonable terms.

If you travel East, West, North or South, take a package of Simmons' Liver Regulator. Prepared only by J. H. Zeilin & Co., Macon, Ga.

Fresh Vanilla Beans, very large and fine, at Chamberlaine's Drug Store.

Fine Toilet Soap, at Chamberlaine's Drug Store.

4-4, 5-4, 6-4 and 8-4 Spring style Oil Cloths, Ingrain, Wool, Dutch and Rag Carpets, Stair and Table Oil Cloths. HANSON BROS.

No. 1, Shore Mackerel in bbls, 1 bbls and Kids, Labrador and Eastport Herring in bbls, and 4 bbls. Codfish by the pound, at HANSON BROS.

Wanted, 10,000 Bushels of Wheat at highest market price, for act. Wm. Lea & Sons, E. T. EVANS.

A pretty line of Hamburg Edgings and Insertions, French Insertions, Dimities Ruffles, Point Trimmings, Ties, Stamped Work, Ribbons all colors, Embroidery and Java Canvas, &c. at HANSON BROS.

Childrens Bronzed and Queer colored Shoes at HANSON BROS.

Rambo's White's and Kennedy's Lime, For Sale by A. T. BRADLEY.

Canned Corn, Tomatoes, Pickles, Prepared Coconut, Farina, Sea Moss Farina, Corn Starch, Currants, Raisins, Citrus, Cranberries and Lemons, just received and for Sale, by J. A. REYNOLDS & SONS.

Try Postpaid Flour, the best in this market, For Sale by A. T. BRADLEY.

Prime Clover and Timothy Seed at E. T. EVANS.

Mr. Carmel Locust Mountain Coal, Hickory and Oak Wood, for Sale at Evans' Coal and Wood Yard, Middletown, Del.

Allen & Bell's Sole Drain Tile, constantly on hand and furnished to order at manufacturers price, by E. T. EVANS.

Prime Clover and Timothy Seed, for sale by A. T. BRADLEY.

300 Bushels of Prime Seed Flax, for sale by A. T. BRADLEY.

## SPECIAL NOTICE!!

W. M. KENNARD & CO.

HAVE NOW IN STOCK

A FULL LINE OF CARPETS,

MATTINGS,

OIL CLOTHS,

MATTS, &c.

WHICH THEY ARE OFFERING

AT

LESS THAN USUAL RATES,

TO

CASH BUYERS!!

ALSO THE LARGEST AND MOST

EXTENSIVE STOCK OF

AMERICAN,

FRENCH,

AND

GERMAN

DRY GOODS

IN THE STATE,

ALL OF WHICH ARE OF-

FERED AT THE

LOWEST CASH PRICES.

ONE PRICE!!!

W. M. KENNARD & CO.

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MARKET STREET,

Wilmington, Delaware.

March 18, 1871—4f

**BOWERS' Complete Manure,**  
MADE FROM  
Super-Phosphate of Lime, Ammonia and Potash.  
Warranted free from adulteration, and equal in quality to any sold during the last five years.

Experience in the use of "BOWERS' COMPLETE MANURE," by the best farmers of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and the Cotton States, has resulted in proving it to be

**THE BEST FERTILIZER OFFERED FOR SALE.**

**HENRY BOWER,**  
MANUFACTURING CHEMIST,  
Gray's Ferry Road Philadelphia.  
DIXON SHARPLESS & CO.,  
40 SOUTH DELAWARE AVENUE, PHILADELPHIA,  
AGENTS.

And For Sale by all leading dealers.

**FOR SALE!**  
40,000 PACH TREES.

6000 Hale's Early  
6000 Early York  
4000 Crawford's Early  
8000 Crawford's Late  
7000 Old Mixon  
5000 Crockett White  
2000 Free Heath  
1000 Orange  
1000 Stantons Seedling, the only lot in New Jersey for sale. Ripens first week in October, a new and rare peach, very fine. Apply to JAMES LAWRENCE, HIGHTSTOWN, N. J.  
P. S.—Commissions paid for orders. \$80.00 per thousand, others to average.  
March 18—2f

**Collector's Notice.**

APPROXIMATELY HUNDRED, 1  
March 15th, 1871.  
I have this day been notified by one of the members of the Levy Court, that all monies due the County from me as Collector will be required at an early period. Those in arrears are required to make payment at once, or suffer the penalties of the law.

JOSEPH C. HUTCHISON, Collector.  
P. S. I will be at Townsend every Monday, and at Blackbird every Saturday. J. C. H.  
March 18—3f

**GEO. W. STOCKLEY,**  
WITH  
**HENRY W. COTTINGHAM,**  
WHOLESALE GROCER

AND GENERAL  
COMMISSION MERCHANT,  
No. 5 North Water Street,  
Philadelphia.

REFERENCES.  
Ex-Governor Ross, Suffolk, Del.; J. A. Reynolds & Sons, Middletown, Del.; W. W. Washel, Laurel, Del.; Wm. Reynolds, Newark, Del.; T. O. Culbrih, Dover, Del.; J. McGonigal, Little Creek Landing, Del.; Wm. J. Cooke, Newtown, Md.  
March 18—1f

**WANTED!**

A SITUATION AS HOUSEKEEPER, by a competent lady. Apply to CATHY E. TAITT, Lake St. Middletown, Del.  
March 18—2f

**Hay for Sale.**

TWELVE Tons of prime HAY for sale by JOHN A. JONES, Middletown, Del.  
March 18—2f

**SEED OATS, CLOVER**  
and Timothy Seed for Sale.  
J. B. FOARD,  
Grain Commission Merchant,  
March 18—3f, Middletown, Del.

**SPECIAL NOTICES.**

**FINE READY MADE CLOTHING.**

228 MARKET STREET, 2nd Door below THIRD WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

**THE LARGEST ASSORTMENT OF**

Ready Made Clothing in Delaware,

Our Own Make, now on hand, and will be sold at less than Philadelphia Prices.

All our Clothing is made in Superior manner by PRACTICAL TAILORS.

The Proprietor having an experience of over thirty years in this business, will guarantee satisfaction to any purchaser.

A full time of

**FINE CLOTHS,**

CASSIMERES, and

VESTINGS

Constantly on hand for

ORDER WORK,

which will be made in the

LATEST STYLE AND BEST MANNER,

At No. 228 Market Street,

The Oldest Established Clothing Emporium in Delaware.

March 18—y Edward Moore

DEAFNESS, BLINDNESS and CATARRH treated with the utmost success, by J. A. REYNOLDS, M. D. and Professor of Diseases of the Ear, Throat and Nose, in the Medical College of Philadelphia, 12 years experience, (formerly of Leyden, Holland), No. 805 Arch street, Phila. Testimonials can be seen at his office. The medical faculty are invited to accompany their patients, as he has no secrets in his practice. Artificial eyes inserted without pain. No charge for examination.  
April 15—1f.

**HOUSES FOR RENT.**

FOUR DWELLING HOUSES in Middletown, For Rent. Apply to LEVI RYAN, March 4—3f.

**VALUABLE TOWN LOT.**

Wanted for sale the valuable Building Lot on the main Street, between the National Hotel and the old City Hall, in town for other a building of business and residence. GEO. W. INGRAM & CO., Real Estate Agents  
Middletown, Del. Feb. 11th, 1871—4f

**Peremptory Trustee's Sale**  
OF  
**VALUABLE REAL ESTATE**  
On Very Liberal Terms.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil County, in chancery, passed in the cause of Thaddeus S. Smith and wife vs. Samuel C. Smith and others, the undersigned will expose at Public Auction, on

**260 ACRES,**  
more or less, lying in Cecil County, Maryland, near the Delaware line, and about four miles southerly from the town of Elkton, on the line of the proposed railroad from Elkton, Middle town or Masses'. About EIGHTY ACRES are in WOODLAND, and the remainder is arable land, and is divided into six fields, all of them watered, a small stream of running water passing through several of them. The soil is of good natural quality, and has been considerably improved by lime and other fertilizers. There is on the farm an Orchard of

**Fifteen Acres of Peach Trees,**  
two years old, of excellent varieties, and in a very flourishing condition; also a small APPLE ORCHARD of thriving trees of choice varieties and just coming into bearing. The improvements consist of a

**TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE,**  
containing eight good rooms, besides a Bark Kitchen attached. The main building is 32 by 40 feet, and has a good cellar underneath. The house is on the farm a Frame Barn 50 by 30 feet, Granary 20 by 30 feet, Carriage House, Smoke House, Poultry House, small Farm House for hands, &c.

N. B.—On the lot recently used as the yard is a small House and Garden, now occupied by a colored man, who has the right to occupy the same as long as he lives, free of charge.

Any liens that may exist against any of the devices of the said Samuel Smith, deceased, will be paid in the order of their priority, out of the respective shares of said devices in the purchase money arising from said sale, so far as the same shall suffice for that purpose.

**TERMS OF SALE.**—One-fourth of the purchase money to be paid in cash on the day of sale; one other fourth in one year thereafter, and the remainder in three equal instalments, payable in Three, Four and Five years from the day of sale. The credit payments to draw interest from the day of sale (the interest to be paid annually thereafter on the whole sum owing, and the payments thereof to be secured by the Bond or Note of the purchaser, a surety or sureties to be approved by the Trustee).

This property will certainly be sold. Possession given immediately after sale. Costs of Deed, Stamp, &c. to be paid by purchaser.

JAMES BLACK GROOMER, Trustee.  
March 11—4f Elkton, Md.

**VALUABLE**  
**HOTEL AND STORE PROPERTY**  
AT  
**PUBLIC SALE.**

BY virtue of a Decree of the Circuit Court for Kent County, sitting in Equity, the undersigned, as Trustee, will offer at Public Sale at the Hotel of Thomas R. Hayes, in Sassafras, Kent county, Md. on

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th, 1871,**  
At Eleven o'clock, A. M.

**THE HOTEL PROPERTY**  
IN SASSAFRAS, MD.

Now occupied by Thomas R. Hayes, being a GOOD, ROOMY and convenient FRAME BUILDING, with Stables and Carriage Houses all complete.

**The Fine Store House**  
now occupied by Kennedy & Son, on the Corner, and adjoining the Hotel;

**THE WHEATWRIGHT & BLACKSMITH SHOPS**  
also adjoining the Hotel property,

**And the other Lots**  
adjoining the above named property and belonging to the said Thomas R. Hayes.

The property will positively be sold on the day named.

**TERMS OF SALE.**—\$2,000 cash on the day of sale, and the balance in two equal annual instalments from the day of sale, the deferred payments to be secured by the bond of the purchaser, with sureties to be approved by the Trustee. Purchasers to pay for stamps and deed.

GEORGE VICKERS, Trustee.  
D. JAMES BLACKSTON, Trustee.  
E. E. MILLER, Auctioneer.  
March 11—4f.

**FOR RENT.**

A BUILDING in Middletown, suitable for a small manufacturing business. Terms low. Apply to WM. GREEN, Middletown, Del.  
March 11—4f.

**Clover Hay for Sale!!**

ABOUT 8 Tons of Prime Clover HAY for Sale at \$15.00 per ton of 2000 lbs. Inquire of JOHN A. REYNOLDS, Middletown, Del.  
March 11—3f.

**Election Notice!**

AN Election for Seven Directors of the Middletown Hall Company will be held on Monday, March 20th, in the Hall, between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. SAM'L PENNINGTON, Secretary.  
March 11—4f

**For Sale.**

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND Two year old Orange Plants, at low rates. Apply to W. M. GREEN, Middletown, Del.  
Feb. 18—4f.

**BRICKS!!**

THE Hotchkiss & Ross Patent Improved Brick Machine will make 20,000 Bricks of Superior Quality in a working day, which can be packed right from the Machine. It is simple and durable; and bricks can be made by it cheaper than by any other process. For making Drain Tile it is also unrivalled.

Machines, State, County and Yard Rights for Sale. Address, Ferry Farm Brick Works, 10 Cliff St., Room 7, New York.  
March 11—1m

E. D. BROWN, W. F. GALLIGHER, BROWN & GALLIGHER, (FORMERLY WITH G. W. WILKINSON.) IMPORTERS OF FINE BRANDIES, WINES, GIN, &c. AND DEALERS IN RYE, WHEAT, AND MOURN WHISKY, No. 11 South 9th Street, Philadelphia.  
Jan 29—y

**BRICK, BRICK!!**  
All kinds of good hand-made Brick, at reduced prices, for Sale, at New Castle, Loaded on Board of Cars or Vessels. All orders promptly filled.  
JOHN GUYER & SON, New Castle, Del.  
Jan. 28—1y.

**AMOS HILLBORN & CO.'S FURNITURE, Mattress, Feathers, AND BEDDING WAREHOUSES, 44 NORTH TENTH STREET, Below Arch, Philadelphia.**

**CHAMBER FURNITURE.**  
Spring Beds, Feather Beds, Bolsters and Pillows, Spring Mattresses, Counterpanes, Comfortables, Blankets, Quilts, Hair do., Flank do., Straw do., Feathers do.

**CALL AND SEE THE**

**Woven Wire Mattress,**  
The best Bed ever offered for sale.

N. B.—Our intention is to treat all customers so that they will become permanent dealers with us, and orders will receive the same attention, and persons can buy just as cheap as if present at the store.  
March 4—3m

**G E T T Y 'S**  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL ARCH STREET CARPET WAREHOUSE, No. 628 Arch Street, Two Doors Below 9th, South Side, Philadelphia.

Rugs, Brussels, Three-ply, Ingrain and Venetian Carpets. Also, Oil Cloths, Rugs, Mats and Window-Shades. The styles are new and handsome. The quality is the best. The prices are very low. Quick sales at a small profit, is the rule. No trouble to show Goods.

WILLIAM GETTY, No. 822, Arch St.  
N. B.—A liberal discount will be made to Churches, Public Institutions, and Clergymen.  
March 4—3m.

**FARMERS ATTENTION!**

**Rhodes' Super Phosphate THE STANDARD MANURE.**  
MANUFACTURED BY POTT & KLETT, Camden, New Jersey.

The attention of Farmers is especially called to the RHODES' SUPER PHOSPHATE as the most valuable and reliable manure for wheat and grass, as well as for other crops, as attested by an experience of fifteen years.

This long established and standard manure is prepared expressly for DRILLING, and particular care is taken to maintain the high reputation it has obtained.

Price, - - - \$45.00 per Ton, of 2000 lbs. Liberal discount to Dealers.

**ORCHILLA GUANO.**  
A A, A TRUE BIRD GUANO, Rich in PHOSPHATES and ALKALINE SALTS. Substitute for Ground Raw Bones.

Price, - - - \$30.00 per Ton, of 2000 lbs. Liberal discount to Dealers.

For Sale by dealers, and by YARNALL & TRIMBLE, Wholesale Agents for Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

147 SOUTH FRONT ST. Philadelphia.

March 4—3m.

**SPRING FASHIONS NOW READY!**  
Mrs. M. A. Binder, 1101. N. W. COR. ELEVENTH AND CHESTNUT STS. PHILADELPHIA.

Importer and Designer of Fashions.

THE old established and only reliable DRESS TRIMMING, PAPER PATTERN, DRESS and CLOAK making EMPORIUM. Elegantly trimmed Paper Patterns, Wholesale and Retail.

Fans, Gloves, Ribbons and Sashes, Laces, Embroideries, JET, GILT, and PEARL Jewelry. Evening Dresses and suits, made in the most fashionable style at short notice.

Perfect system of Dress Cutting taught. N. B.—Orders by mail, promptly attended to.  
Feb. 25, 1871—3m.

**FARMERS**  
Will Please Take Notice

THAT I am prepared to give the HIGHEST CASH PRICE for GRAIN upon the order of E. JEFFERSON & SON, New Castle, Del. and solicit a share of your patronage. Office near the Depot, formerly occupied by Harlock & Cochran.  
J. B. FOARD, Middletown, Del.  
Jan 14—tf

**J. B. FOARD,**  
Middletown Delaware,  
SOLE AGENT FOR E. JEFFERSON & SON, New Castle, Del.

**New Castle, FOR THE PURCHASE OF GRAIN, AND SALE OF LIME, FERTILIZERS, SEEDS, &c.**  
Jan. 7—3m

**GEO. W. INGRAM,**  
AUCTIONEER,  
Middletown Delaware.

All orders addressed to him will receive prompt attention.  
Nov 20—1m

J. H. Warner, N. Y. A. McElrath, N. Y. G. E. Dickson, Dover. Warner, Dickson & McElrath, GENERAL PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS, 335 GREENWICH STREET, N. Y.

**WE MAKE A SPECIALTY OF Peaches, Pears, Apples, Currants, Grapes, And all kinds of Perishable Fruit.**

**REFERENCES.**  
Geo. W. Cummins, Smyrna, Daniel B. Cummins, Pres. General Bank, Phila. Dr. Henry Ridgely, Dover, Wm. H. Shakespeare, Dover, Geo. G. Haulbury, Dover, Ex-Gov. Wm. L. Ross, Seaboard, Del. James Towner, Ex. Milles, Del. Dr. Alex. Hardcastle, Caroline county, Md. John R. Butler, Queen Anne's co. Md. S. S. Wyckoff, 184 Murray street, N. Y. J. H. Chase, Washington, Md. N. Y. E. R. Arnold, Severn River, Md. B. N. Fox & Co. N. Y.  
September 3—4f

**25 LAST CHANCE 25.**  
See What \$5 Will Do!  
**SHARES SELLING RAPIDLY.**  
Only \$5!  
FOR A SUPERB STEEL ENGRAVING or CHROMO well worth the money—and which you are sure to get at once, and perhaps

**A Fortune of \$25,000!**  
Also one of \$10,000! one of \$5,000! and one of \$3,500! \$3,000! \$2,500! \$1,500! \$1,400! \$1,200! and 84 other GRAND PRIZES!

from Twelve Hundred Dollars down to Three Hundred—the aggregate value of which is NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS! all of which will positively be distributed as prizes among Shareholders

**On the 21st of April next.**  
All persons wishing shares should send \$5 at once, before the books are closed, and they will receive by return mail, carefully packed in tubes one of the following

**SUPERB WORKS OF ART.**  
And a ticket through which

**A Fortune will be won by Some One!**  
Either one of the following Fine Pictures sent at once, With a SHARE in the Distribution:

**"THE MARRIAGE OF POCAHONTAS,"**  
On heavy plate paper, 39 x 42 inches, Or "AN AMERICAN AUTUMN," A Beautiful Chromo, printed in oil tints, &c. 25x34 inches.

Or "THE DAY WE CELEBRATE," A Superb Steel Engraving, on heavy plate paper, size 28x38, Or "THE LANDING OF COLUMBUS," On heavy plate paper, 28x38.

The Manager begs to state that time is required to carry through successfully so large an enterprise, but the public are now satisfied of the honesty and usefulness of the plan, and thousands have been ready to invest as soon as the date of drawing was positively fixed upon. This has now been done, and every shareholder is solicited to interest himself in furthering the sale of the remaining tickets.

No better or stronger endorsements of the plan and object of the sale, the value of the property, or the management of the scheme, could be desired than the endorsements given by prominent citizens and leading papers.

**REMEMBER!**  
that there are only 15,000 Shares, and that every one paying \$5 becomes a shareholder, and receives at once a superb Work of Art, worth the amount invested, and a Ticket in the Distribution of the prizes, which may yield a \$25,000 Prize, or an equal change by Prizes, the aggregate value of which is \$25,000

**THE MOST LIBERAL TERMS TO CLUBS**



## Select Poetry.

**THE DEVIL AND THE LAWYER.**  
The Devil came up to the earth one day,  
And into the court house he wended his way,  
Just as an attorney, with very grave face,  
Was proceeding to argue the "points in the case."

Now, a lawyer his Majesty never had seen,  
For his doubtful nose ever had been,  
And he felt very anxious the reason to know,  
Why none had been sent to the regions below.

"That's the fault of his agents, his Majesty thought;  
That none of these lawyers had ever been caught,  
And for his own pleasure he felt a desire  
To come to the earth and the reason inquire."

Well, the lawyer who rose with visage so grave,  
Made out his opponent a consummate knave,  
And the Devil was really greatly amused,  
To hear the attorney so soundly abused.

But soon as the speaker had come to a close,  
The counsel opposing him fiercely arose,  
And heaped such abuse on the head of the first,  
That made him a villain of all men the worst.

Then they quarreled, contended and argued so long,  
That hard to determine which of them was wrong,  
And concluding he'd heard quite enough of the  
Old Nick turned away and soliloquized thus:

"If all they have said of each other be true,  
The Devil has surely been rolled off his due;  
But I'm satisfied now, it's all very well—  
For these lawyers would ruin the morals of—!"

"They have puzzled the court with their villainous cavi,  
And I'm free to confess they have puzzled the Devil;  
My agents are right to let lawyers alone,  
If I had them, they'd swindle me out of my throne."

**LIGHT FOR THE WORLD.**  
**B. Sweet & Co.'s**  
**CELEBRATED COMET OIL.**  
THE CHEAPEST, CLEAREST AND MOST  
BRILLIANT LIGHT EVER DISCOVERED!

An invention worthy the consideration of all,  
And the only real, reliable substitute yet discovered for kerosene.

**BRILLIANCE AND PERFECT SAFETY**  
Commands the admiration of all who have witnessed the use of this celebrated fluid. It is founded upon the strict rules of chemistry and is a direct process of refinery, that can be done by any man, woman or child, and is easily made without the use of any machinery.

**THE COMET OIL.**  
The formula for making this beautiful oil originated with Professor W. J. Loveland, and was procured by us from him at a great expense.

This gentleman has made the production of light his study for twenty years, and after so long and careful a consideration of all the articles and compounds used to produce this another necessity, he has pronounced the Comet Oil the nearest approximation of light for the purpose of producing light. We offer this oil to our agents in full confidence of its superiority over every other oil now before the public, and do hereby

**CHALLENGE COMPETITION**  
**FROM THE WORLD.**

The Comet Oil costs from 20 to 24 cents per gallon, and is warranted to give one-third more light and last one-half longer than the same amount of the best kerosene. It is an article that the public have long stood in need of, for kerosene, although a great improvement over the old tallow candle, has, to say the best of it, a great many disadvantages. In almost every paper that you take up you read of some horrible accident from the use of kerosene.

Our oil is perfectly non-explosive; contains no Naphtha or Benzine, and is compounded in such a manner as to render it perfectly safe in any kind of a lamp or burner, with or without chimney. For hand lamps such as are used in hotels, offices, &c., it is just the thing, as it gives a beautiful bright flame and can be carried through halls and rooms where there are draughts of air and doors opening and closing, without being extinguished as a great many lamps are liable to be. Many who have to work by the light of kerosene complain that the light causes pain around the temples, and in around the eyes, especially the latter. Our oil gives a soft, clear flame that does not dazzle and will not injure the most weak and delicate eyes.

Kerosene often generates gas which forms in the lamp, and is one of the reasons why so many accidents are constantly happening, which we read of from the columns of our papers, often resulting in loss of life, and frequently in the loss of limbs or eyesight, or disfiguring the victims in such a manner as to render life miserable and unhappy. Kerosene breaks and smokes up chimneys, thereby causing expense and annoyance. It increases the wick and has a very disagreeable smell. All these difficulties and a great many more are obviated in our Comet Oil. All we ask is that the public give our Fluid and other preparations a fair trial, and you will have no hesitancy in recommending them to others.

FACTS that all will acknowledge after testing our oil:

1. It will burn longer and give a better light than any other oil.
2. It can be made with one-fourth the cost of kerosene.
3. It will not soil the clothes if spilled on them.
4. It will not explode.
5. It is free from odor, stain or smoke.
6. The ingredients can be obtained at any country village.
7. Its softness of light is equal to alcohol.
8. It will not weaken the eyes or lungs as kerosene does by constant use.
9. It will burn in any lamp with or without chimney.
10. It will not waste by evaporation.
11. It is cheaper and better in every respect than any other oil ever invented.
12. Thousands are using it and are perfectly delighted with it.

We know our light to be a good thing and do not propose to keep it hidden under a bushel! But we do propose not only to let it shine, but to outshine everything that is brought into competition, and thereby not only benefit ourselves, by getting our oil thoroughly introduced by good and faithful agents, but be a lasting benefit to the whole country. We might fill up an unlimited space in laying before you the merits of this useful invention, but prefer that

**YOU SHOULD SEE**  
**Judge for Yourself,**

and in order that none may be deceived from this privilege we are introducing it in such a way and on such terms as to place it within the reach of all. For Two Dollars we will send you one dozen light with full directions how to manufacture our oil. The ingredients can be procured in any town or village in the United States without the consent of the Proprietors, unless you wish to purchase in bulk.

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## SPRING SEASON 1871.

**STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER'S**  
Open the Season of 1871

WITH the determination to do a largely increased business, which they are aware can only be done by keeping the best assorted STOCK OF GOODS of the day, and making the prices so low that no house will attempt to compete.

We have made extraordinary preparations for this year's business, and have completed arrangements for many desirable goods which will be found only at our establishment.

We are now offering our immense stock of

**MUSLINS,**

**SHEETINGS, &c.**

in all qualities and widths, which we retail at less than current wholesale rates.

Our Stock of  
**HOUSEKEEPING LINEN GOODS**  
shall be as heretofore the best in Philadelphia and comprises every variety of these goods.

To the Heads of Families, Housekeepers, and the Proprietors of Hotels, Boarding Houses, &c. we respectfully commend our stock as including everything needed by them, and all guaranteed to be at as low prices uniformly, as the same qualities of goods can be bought in America.

**STRAWBRIDGE & CLOTHIER**  
Central Dry Goods House,

**N. W. CORNER**  
**EIGHTH AND MARKET STS.**

**Philadelphia, Pa.**  
Jan. 21—17.

**E. B. RICE,**  
WITH  
**FERREE, ENTWISLE & CO.**  
Produce Commission Merchants,  
Berries, Peaches, Apples,  
Poultry, &c.

STAND NO. 4, OPPOSITE 152 WEST STREET,  
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REFERENCES BY PERMISSION:  
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Hon. Alex. Hardcastle, Goldsboro, Md.  
W. P. Lindell, Esq., Wyoming, Del.  
A. B. Hays, Esq., Cashier N. River Bank, N. Y.  
John Wardell, Esq., Baltimore, Md.  
S. S. Wyckoff & Co., New York.

Will remove to No. 180 Chamber Street, May 1st, 1871.  
Feb. 11—17.

**PEACH GROWERS ATTENTION!**  
**FOR SALE.**

**10,000 BUSHELS WOOD ASHES** once bleached. On boat or cars in Baltimore. The cheapest Fertilizer in the market, costing only about \$7.00 per ton of 2000 lbs. Apply at once (as they are rapidly selling) to  
**WM. REYNOLDS,**  
Newark, Del.

P. S.—I have secured the ash production of two Soap Factories in Baltimore, and will have Ashes for sale Spring and Fall.  
Feb. 4—17.

**VALUABLE TOWN LOT.**  
We offer for sale the valuable Building Lot upon Main Street, adjoining the National Hotel. This is one of the best sites in town for either a dwelling or business stand.  
**GEO. W. INGRAM & CO.,**  
Real Estate Agents  
Middletown, Del. Feb. 11th, 1871—17.

**A GREAT OFFER.**  
**HORACE WATERS,**  
481, Broadway, New York.

WILL dispose of ONE HUNDRED PIANOS, MELODEONS and ORGANS of six first-class makers, including Chickering & Sons, at extremely low prices for cash, during this month, or will take from \$5 to \$25 monthly until paid.

**M. E. DICKSON,**  
No. 34 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,  
PHILADELPHIA.

**WATCHES AND JEWELRY.**  
SOLID STERLING  
Silver and Plated Ware,  
Suitable for Wedding Presents.

N. B.—Fine selection of 19 E. Wedding Rings on hand.  
Gold, Silver and Steel Spectacles to suit all ages.  
Dec. 10—17.

**VICTOR GREEN,**  
Attorney at Law,  
Corner Arch and Second Streets, N. B. City.

**MACHINE SHOP.**  
Plows and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order.  
Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old iron.  
**W. L. BUCK & SON,**  
Founders and Machinists.  
Jan. 3—17.

## Ayer's Hair Vigor,

For restoring Gray Hair to its natural Vitality and Color.

A dressing which is at once agreeable, healthy, and effectual for preserving the hair. Faded or gray hair is soon restored to its original color with the gloss and freshness of youth.

This hair is thickened, falling hair checked, and baldness often, though not always, cured by its use. Nothing can restore the hair where the follicles are destroyed, or the glands atrophied and decayed. But such as remain can be saved for usefulness by this application. Instead of fouling the hair with a pasty sediment, it will keep it clean and vigorous. Its occasional use will prevent the hair from turning gray or falling off, and consequently prevent baldness. Free from those deleterious substances which make some preparations dangerous and injurious to the hair, the Vigor can only benefit but not harm it. If wanted merely for a

**HAIR DRESSING,**  
nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor dye, it does not soil white cambric, and yet lasts long on the hair, giving it a rich glossy lustre and a grateful perfume.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co.,  
PRACTICAL AND ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS,  
**LOWELL, MASS.**

For sale by Charles Tatum, Middletown, Del. and by Druggists and Dealers in Medicine everywhere.  
Oct. 15—17.

**FARMERS!!**  
Look to your Interests.

AVAIL yourselves of what now is your opportunity to get Pure Norway Oats for seed without investing any money—For a short time I will offer to furnish a few reliable farmers with genuine Norway Oats for seed, on the following conditions:

Each farmer on application will receive as many bushels of oats as he may desire, for which he will be required to give his receipt and specify on the same that he will deliver at Middletown Depot, or some other depot on the Railroad, a certain number of bushels of his seed, for every one bushel received by him from me, on or before the 1st day of October 1871. Each applicant will be served in order, in quantities of not less than one bushel. If this means he will get his seed oats for nothing, and from my experience with the oats and from the numerous testimonials I have seen in their favor, I believe he will have more bushels to sell after paying me back, than he would have had from any other oats, besides getting his seed oats for nothing. These oats have proven, on a trial of several years, to be very superior to all other kinds in point of yield, besides being a stiff straw that there is little or no danger of them falling down. From what I have seen of them I believe they will produce under favorable circumstances from fifty to eighty bushels to the acre. I raised last year about thirty bushels on an acre on poor ground as there is in New Castle Co. I sowed one bushel to the acre, but owing to the fact that they were drilled in on freshly plowed ground and followed by a harrow, they were covered two depths and only about one half bushel came up. All who saw them thought that had they been thick enough they would have produced from fifty to sixty bushels to the acre. Mr. D. B. Higgins, near McDougal's, raised them last year and considered them vastly superior to any other oats he has tried. Our seed means changing as much as our stock, and a good crop of oats is much more profitable than a crop of wheat, therefore, it pays best to get the best seed.

All those who think of sowing Norway Oats next Spring are cordially invited to visit E. T. Evans or A. T. Brady, at Middletown depot, and there learn the origin of the oats, and read some of the numerous testimonials in their favor. Those farmers who prefer to buy them can do so for \$2.00 per bushel, cash or ninety day note. Orders either way, may be left with E. T. Evans, or A. T. Brady, or with the subscriber.

**E. R. COCHRAN,**  
Middletown, Del.  
Jan. 28—10w.

**THE GREAT FERTILIZER**  
**WALTON'S**  
**RAW BONE**  
**SUPER PHOSPHATE**  
STANDARD GUARANTEED  
200 lbs.

MANUFACTURED BY  
**WALTON, WHANN & CO.**  
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DEPOTS:  
203 WEST FRONT ST. WILMINGTON  
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23 FAIRFAX ST. ALBANY

**PROMPT,**  
**ACTIVE,**  
**RELIABLE.**  
A Great Crop Producer and Thorough Renovator of worn out lands.

For Sale by  
**E. T. EVANS,**  
Middletown, Del.  
March 27—17

**HOW TO GET RICH.**  
A Sure Guide to Honest Wealth.

No one in business or out but can, by a strict attention to rules laid out in this book, become wealthy in a short time.

Agents will find this the best selling book in the market. Single copies sent postpaid on receipt of 50 cents. Address  
**CHARLES M. JONES,**  
Sept. 14—17  
Wilmington, Del.

**MIDDLETOWN IRON FOUNDRY**  
AND  
**MACHINE SHOP.**  
Plows and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order.  
Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old iron.  
**W. L. BUCK & SON,**  
Founders and Machinists.  
Jan. 3—17.

## DELAWARE GRAIN AND PHOSPHATE DRILL.

THIS undersigned having perfected his improved "DELAWARE DRILL," would inform the Farmers that he is now prepared to furnish them with the best combined Grain and Phosphate Drill ever introduced into this country.

It is very simple in construction; very substantially made up; has the patented porcelain wheel; is easily regulated, and guaranteed to sow any and every kind of merchantable Grain and Phosphate with the greatest uniformity and accuracy.

It has been used and endorsed by over 150 of our best farmers in this and the adjoining State of Maryland during the last two years (1868 and 1869) and, as will be shown by their written certificates now in my possession, has given entire satisfaction.

Farmers wishing these drills will please address  
**W. N. HAMPTON, M. D.,**  
Odesa, Del.  
Or **WM. T. SHAW & CO.,** Manufacturer,  
Wilmington, Delaware.

**TERMS:**  
Delaware Grain and Phosphate Drill,  
**\$125 CASH.**

N. B.—I am also prepared, at my shop in Odesa, to attach my Delaware Phosphate Sower with all its improvements and in the most substantial manner, to the Haines & Wood, or any common grain drill now in use, and guarantee to give entire satisfaction.

Farmers wishing the Attachment will please forward their orders as soon as possible as only a limited number will be furnished this season.

**TERMS:**—Delaware Phosphate Sower attached old drill, \$45, Cash; or an approved note at 30 days.  
**W. N. HAMPTON, M. D.,**  
July 16—17  
Odesa, Del.

**MIDDLETOWN STOVE HOUSE.**  
**JOHN B. ROBERTS,**  
TAKES pleasure in announcing to his friends of Middletown and surrounding country, that he has taken the Tin and Stove Store of the late S. W. Roberts, and offers to the public the largest and best selected stock of Stoves, both Cooking and Heating, ever offered in Middletown, and at prices that cannot fail to please. Among the assortment are the following:

**COOK STOVES.**  
NAGARA, PARLOR COOK, MONITOR, COAL COOK, WM. PENN, LEHIGH, and others made in the city.

**PARLOR STOVES.**  
BRILLIANT, GASEOUS BASE, BEW DROP, PARLOR LIGHT, PARLOR COOK, PARLOR HEATER.

Stoves of all kinds suitable for Stores, Offices, Barbers and School Houses.

Also, the Morning Glory and the Oriental, both unsurpassed in beauty and efficiency. They can be seen in operation at the store of the proprietor. All sizes of Boilers, Stoves and Tenplate Stoves repaired at short notice.

Old Stoves taken in exchange.  
TIN WARE at wholesale and retail—5%.

Being a practical workman, himself, he thinks he can give satisfaction to all who favor him with their work. Particular attention paid to Roofing and Spouting.

AT HIS BRANCH STORE, ST. GEORGES.  
He has a large stock of Stoves and Tin Ware on hand, and is prepared to fill all orders for STOVES, TIN WARE, ROOFING, SPOUTING, &c. at the shortest notice and on the best terms.

**ORDERS SOLICITED.**  
JOHN B. ROBERTS.  
and 13, 1870—y

**WM. A. RASIN,**  
**McCOY & RASIN,**  
General Commission Merchants,  
NO. 73 SOUTH STREET,  
OPPOSITE CORN EXCHANGE,  
**BALTIMORE.**  
July 2—y

**C. MAISEL,**  
TAILOR, (From Paris),  
1321 Chestnut Street,  
PHILADELPHIA.  
May 21—17

**MIDDLETOWN NURSERY AND FRUIT FARM,**  
Middletown, Delaware.

**PEACH TREES AND SMALL FRUITS A SPECIALTY.**  
PEACH Trees in present Nurseries all sold. A fine stock of Small Fruit, such as Currants, Raspberries for Spring of 1871, at reduced prices. For catalogue and price list, address  
**E. R. COCHRAN,**  
Middletown, Del.  
Dec. 3—17

**NORWAY OATS**  
**FOR SALE.**  
In quantities to suit purchasers.  
**E. R. COCHRAN,**  
Middletown, Del.  
Nov. 5—1mos.

**NEW BAKERY,**  
IN MIDDLETOWN, DEL.  
North East Corner of Lake and Broad Streets.

THE undersigned wishes to inform his friends and the public at large, that he has commenced the Baking Business in all its departments, and will keep constantly on hand,

Bread, Cakes, Crackers, Pies, Candy, and will supply Weddings, and Parties, with all sorts of Cakes at short notice.

He has engaged a first class Baker to attend to the business.

He will also continue the Painting Business in all its branches.  
**FRANCIS TAYLOR.**  
March 6, 1869—17

**FOR SALE.**  
THE HOUSE and LOT, now occupied by the undersigned, situated on Lake Street, Middletown, adjoining the property of Zachariah Jones. The House is a two-story frame, 22 feet front, running back 18 feet, with a back building 16 by 20 feet, and a good kitchen in the rear, eight rooms in all. The Lot is 100 feet front, by 125 feet deep, stocked with choice fruit and garden shrubbery. A well of good water in the yard. For further particulars apply to  
**NATHAN SIMMONS,**  
June 25—17

**THOMAS S. DUNNING, A. M. M. D.**  
**Homeopathic Physician.**  
Has removed to old Transcript Office on Main Street, Middletown, Del.  
Office hours, 1 to 5 A. M.  
1 to 3 P. M.  
6 to 7 P. M.  
Dec. 3—17

**HIDES AND TALLOW WANTED!**  
The highest prices will be paid at  
**QITROW'S,**  
Nov. 20—17  
Middletown, Del.

## BARGAINS, BARGAINS.

New Stock of Fall and Winter Goods. Selling Off at REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH!!

CONSISTING in part of the following goods: Black and Colored Alpaca, Doublewrap Mohair and Silk Finishes, very low, Delaines of variety of shades and styles, Chevre Poplins and Mahara, Silk Finish Velveteens, Sack Flannels, plain and plaid, White and Red Flannels, Canton Flannels, &c.

Large stock of Ladies Shawls and Cloaks, Ladies Merino Vests, Jouvins' Kid Gloves, &c.

**GENTLEMEN'S WEAR.**  
**CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, KERSEYS**  
**HATS AND CAPS,**  
Latest styles: Overcoats and ready-made Clothing for Men and Boys.

**CARPETS!! CARPETS!!**  
Hemp, Rag and Straw, from auction, Gents Fine Soft Skin Boots, Men's Course Boots and Shoes, Boys and Children's Boots and Shoes of all styles, with and without heels.

**BLANKETS AND COVERLIDS.**  
Hardware, Queensware, Groceries, and all other Goods usually kept in a first-class country store.

Purchasers will please call and look at our stock before purchasing.  
220 Agents for Dr. Rogers' Magnetic Oil and Liver Pills.  
**S. R. STEPHENS & CO.,**  
Nov. 5—17  
Middletown, Del.

**GEO. W. INGRAM & CO.**  
Brokers & Real Estate Agents,  
BROAD STREET ABOVE MAIN,  
Middletown, Delaware,  
ATTEND PROMPTLY TO THE COLLECTION OF NOTES, DRAFTS, BILLS, &c. &c.

**NEGOTIATE LOANS, PURCHASE & SELL STOCKS ON COMMISSION.**  
And offer for sale

**Valuable Real Estate,**  
Comprising some of the most desirable Farms on the Peninsula.

Correspondence by mail solicited.

Refer by permission to the following named gentlemen:

Hon. R. C. Holladay, Sec. of State, Annapolis, Md.  
W. R. Bergholz, Memphis & El Paso Pacific Railroad, N. Y.  
R. Atkinson, Banker, 41 Broad St., N. Y.  
Hon. Richard Schell, 50 Wall " "  
Col. Blanton Duncan, Louisville, Ky.  
Geo. Reig, Adj. General, Baltimore, Md.  
Gen. W. H. Keiser, " "  
J. W. Vandegrift, " "  
Seyfert, McManus & Co., Philadelphia.  
Gen. Robert Patterson, " "  
B. F. Chatham, Phila. Nat. Bank, March 17—17

**500,000**  
**OSAGE ORANGE PLANTS**  
ONE AND TWO YEARS OLD,  
**FOR SALE.**  
For Hedging  
**VERY LARGE AND FINE.**  
**ALSO, 200,000**  
**SMALL FRUIT PLANTS & VINES,**  
OF THE BEST VARIETIES OF STRAWBERRY, RASPBERRY, BLACKBERRY, CURRANT, GOOSEBERRY, AND GRAPE.

**CONSERVE A COLOSSAL AND GIANT ASPARAGUS ROOTS.**  
**EARLY ROSE and other SEED POTATOES.**

For information and prices, apply to  
**HENRY CLAYTON,**  
WOODSIDE SMALL FRUIT NURSERY  
MT. PLEASANT, DEL.  
Oct. 22—6m

**DELAWARE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

John P. McLean, Pres. M. M. Child, Sec.  
Branch Office:  
**N. W. cor. Ninth & Chestnut Streets,**  
PHILADELPHIA.

Geo. W. Stross, Vice President, Manager.

**Purely Mutual—Low Rates.**  
All Policies Nonforfeiting after One Annual Payment. Every accommodation consistent with safety guaranteed to Policy Holders.

Books containing full information concerning the plans and rules of the Company sent free upon application to the Branch Office.

Agents Wanted throughout the States of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

REFERENCES (by permission)—Hon. E. W. Gilpin, Chief Justice State of Delaware; Hon. Thos. F. Bayard, U. S. Senator from Delaware; Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, Bishop of Delaware; Gen. Henry du Pont, Powder Manufacturer; Hon. Gove Salisbury, Gov. State of Del.; The Presidents of all the Banks in the city of Wilmington; Hon. J. J. Valentine, Mayor of Wilmington.  
June 4—17.

**CIGAR AND TOBACCO STORE!!**  
**WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.**

THE undersigned takes this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has now on hand a superior stock of

**CIGARS AND TOBACCO,**  
Which he offers at very reasonable rates, and which cannot fail to please.

Among the Tobaccos are the following:

Best Black Navy Tobacco.....80 Cents.  
Best Monitor Navy Tobacco.....90 " "  
Best Black Cerevisia Tobacco.....90 " "  
Best Plain Light Tobacco.....\$1.00  
Best Rough and Ready Tobacco.....\$1.15

**GIVE HIM A CALL.**  
**JOHN T. HAYES,**  
1 Door East of National Hotel, Middletown, Del.  
Apr. 23—17

## G. W. W. NAUDAIN

TAKES this method of calling the attention of the public to his Large and Well Selected Stock of

**COATINGS, CLOTHS,**  
Cassimeres, Kerseys, Dress Goods,

**PRINTS, GINGHAMS,**  
Bro. and Bleached Muslins,

Shawls, Red Flannels, White Flannels, Cotton Flannels, White Blankets, Gray Blankets, Horse Blankets, Lap Robes, Bed Spreads,

**HATS, CAPS,**  
**NOTIONS,**  
**GROCERIES,**  
Hardware, Queensware, Earthenware, Oil Cloth, &c. &c.

Farmers, before purchasing elsewhere, will find it to their interest to examine his stock of

**Men's Heavy Boots and Shoes,**  
which he has manufactured of the best material, and on which he guarantees satisfaction.

He has also on hand a good assortment of **MEN'S SEWED AND PEGGED, SINGLE & DOUBLE UPPER & SOLE, CALF BOOTS,**

Also Ladies' Dress Shoes in various styles.  
220 Prices Reasonable—Large Inducements to Cash Buyers.  
[Oct 22-17]

**TO THE PUBLIC.**  
THE undersigned would call the attention of the public to his

**Large and Well-Selected Stock of GOODS,**  
Consisting in part of

**DRY GOODS,**  
NOTIONS, GROCERIES, BOOTS, Shoes, Hats, Hardware,